Bannock County Fire Mitigation Action Plan

Fire Mitigation Goals

- Emphasize prevention of wildland urban interface fires using a proactive, cooperative approach.
- Ensure that the land development ordinances and building codes in Bannock County support mitigation of wildland urban interface fire danger.
- Promote effective fuel reduction programs in all wildland urban interface areas in Bannock County.
- Promote the development of water resources for wildland firefighting throughout Bannock County.
- Facilitate a County-wide mutual aid agreement.
- Produce and distribute functional maps for rural Departments.
- Provide wildfire training class for Road & Bridge Department

Fire Mitigation Actions

- Prevention-promote local jurisdictions working together and with Federal and State agencies to establish on-going local prevention programs. Encourage all rural districts to become Firewise Communities.
- Wildland Fire Code-institute a working group to include local jurisdictions and County Officials to develop and adopt a county Wildland Urban Interface Fire Code.
- Fuel Reduction-Encourage each local jurisdiction to identify a priority fuel reduction program and a plan to get the program started.
 - Work closely with the BLM and Forest Service fuel reduction projects. Many of these projects will require participation from both Federal Lands and Private landowners to be successful
- Water Resources-institute a working group to evaluate the water supply issue within the County. This should include both fixed and mobile supply issues.

- Cooperative Agreements-examine the current agreements within the County and assess the need to expand or update. Include agreements with Local, State and Federal Agencies.
- Work with ISU Department of GIS and the County to produce maps for local jurisdictions and County Emergency Management.